

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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Illness due to De-worming Tablets
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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- (a) the symptoms of presence of worms in children;
- (b) the number of children given the deworming tablets on National De-worming day, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether a number of children have complained illness after taking de-worming tablets in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State/UTwise including Bihar; and
- (e) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)

(a): Presence of worms in children can cause a range of symptoms including diarrhoea, abdominal pain, nausea, blood in stool, intestinal obstruction, weakness, loss of appetite etc.

(b): National Deworming Day which was observed on 10th February 2016, across 30 States/UTs covered approximately 20.16 crore children. State/UT-wise details are annexed.

(c) & (d): As per available information from the States/UTs including Bihar, 737 children experienced mild adverse events, like nausea and vomiting. State/UT wise details are annexed.

(e): The operational guidelines on National Deworming Day (NDD) have clear protocols for management of adverse events. These guidelines have been issued to all the States and UTs well ahead of the implementation of National Deworming Day. In addition, an advisory has also been sent to all the States/UTs for management of adverse events.

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